Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 27 Apr 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 28 Apr 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 26 Apr 2024 at 14:44

Confidence: Low confidence in the details of rain and summit snow on Saturday and the extent and duration of rain on Saturday night into Sunday morning. High confidence in a drier and warmer spell of weather early next week but low confidence on when cooler and more unsettled weather will return.

Headline for Saturday 27 Apr 2024: Chilly and often damp with rain and drizzle at times and summit fog and snow.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 27 Apr 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain showers	Drizzle	Cloudy	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	60%	80%	90%	60%	40%	20%	40%

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Weather: Mainly dry through the early hours but an increasing chance of light showers developing. More general rain is likely by around dawn making for quite a wet Saturday morning with some heavier bursts of rain in places. Drier spells at times during the afternoon but still a risk of periods of rain or drizzle. If skies brighten at all then there's a very low chance of a late afternoon heavy shower or thunderstorm. More persistent rain, heavy at times, arriving by around midnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 30%.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods of cloud above 500-600m during the early hours and until mid-morning and then persistent cloud above 500m for the remainder of the day with periods of cloud above 400m during any prolonged periods of rain. Poor or very poor visibility for most of the day on the summits and varying between good and moderate at valley level as the periods of rain and drizzle come and go.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/18 NE	15/21 E	18/24 NE	18/26 E	17/25 NE	16/24 NE	15/23 NE	16/23 NE	17/24 NE
300	8/16 NE	9/17 NE	11/21 NE	12/23 E	13/24 NE	12/22 NE	11/21 NE	9/19 NE	10/20 NE
Valley	7/16 NE	8/18 NE	9/19 NE	10/21 E	11/22 E	10/21 NE	9/20 NE	9/20 NE	9/19 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	2/-2	2/-4	1/-4	2/-4	3/-3	4/-1	4/-1	3/-2	2/-3
300	4/1	4/0	4/-0	4/0	5/1	6/3	6/3	6/2	5/1
Valley	5/3	5/2	4/1	5/2	6/2	7/4	7/4	6/4	5/2
Freezing Level*	1000m	900m	800m	800m	900m	1100m	1200m	1100m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Feeling very cold for late April on the summits with the risk of severe wind chill due to air temperatures close to freezing, a brisk wind and periods of rain, sleet and snow. Prepare for winter conditions if venturing to the summits and take extra layers including a waterproof outer layer. Lengthy periods of hill fog will result in poor visibilities and make for challenging navigation, especially over featureless terrain.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
14:00 on Thu 25 Apr 2024	0.2mm	0.2mm	1mm

Forecast for Sunday 28 Apr 2024

Weather: Rain is possible during the early hours, mainly in the east and perhaps heavy over the Black Mountains in particular. Any rain soon clearing after dawn but staying rather cloudy through the morning. Turning brighter during the afternoon with sunny spells developing. Dry and clear by the evening.

Maximum wind: Westerly or northwesterly 15mph gusting 25 mph, easing later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20% first thing, becoming 90% by mid-afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud above 400-500m at first, becoming more broken above 700m during the morning and lifting clear of the summits through the afternoon. Poor or very poor visibility first thing at higher levels but becoming very good with excellent air clarity across the whole of the National Park by mid-afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to plus 12 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 3 Celsius rising to plus 7 Celsius.
Freezing level: Just above the summits.

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